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Jersey City to Celebrate 30th Annual National Night Out Against Crime

Police Department & Community to Join at Four Parks

JERSEY CITY — Mayor Steven M. Fulop and the Jersey City Police Department will host the 30th Annual National Night Out (NNO), a crime prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and Target, NNO's national sponsor. Events will take place simultaneously, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Pershing Field, Arlington Park, Audubon Park, and Hamilton Park.

The two police unions, the **Police Superior Officers Association (PSOA)** and the **Police Officers Benevolent Association (POBA)** and the Jersey City Police Foundation are helping to sponsor two of the locations.

National Night Out encourages neighbors and communities to come together, get acquainted with one another, and have a fun-filled safe night that fosters neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. There will be balloons, refreshments, plenty of entertainment and activities, games, and giveaways in each park. Various community and service organizations will be on hand to provide information to the public.

"Addressing the public safety issue in our city has been the first priority for my administration," said **Mayor Fulop**. "We are redeploying personnel to where they are needed most, increasing police presence in our communities, and restructuring the department to provide more accountability and

Mayor Fulop will visit National Night Out locations to commend and acknowledge those individuals and groups who are providing invaluable services and resources to their community.

Activities at the parks will include moon bounces, popcorn, balloon sculptures, recreational games, music/performers, and much more.

Mayor Fulop also recently appointed NYPD Deputy Chief James Shea as the Public Safety Director to oversee both the Police and Fire Departments. The Administration is currently which is why we increased the size of the upcoming police academy class to approximately forty recruits and why we are placing an emphasis on increasing uniformed police presence," said **Mayor Fulop**. "Our police commanders are also redeploying officers where they are most needed, moving officers out of desk jobs and into patrol, and partnering with additional law enforcement agencies to bolster manpower."

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